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ORSHA ARMY BARRACKS
AND TRAINING AREA SOUTHEAST
ORSHA, USSR
BELORUSSIAN MD



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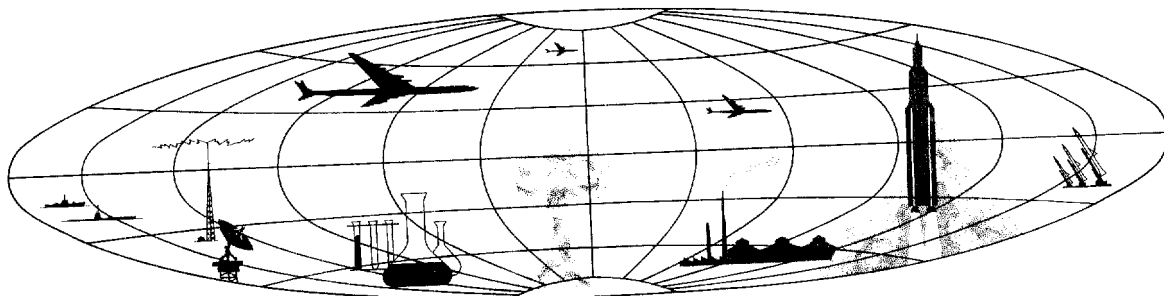
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PREFACE

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Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training area or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

ORSHA ARMY BARRACKS AND TRAINING AREA SOUTHEAST

(54-29N 030-26E)

ORSHA, VITEBSKAYA OBLAST, USSR

BELORUSSIAN MD

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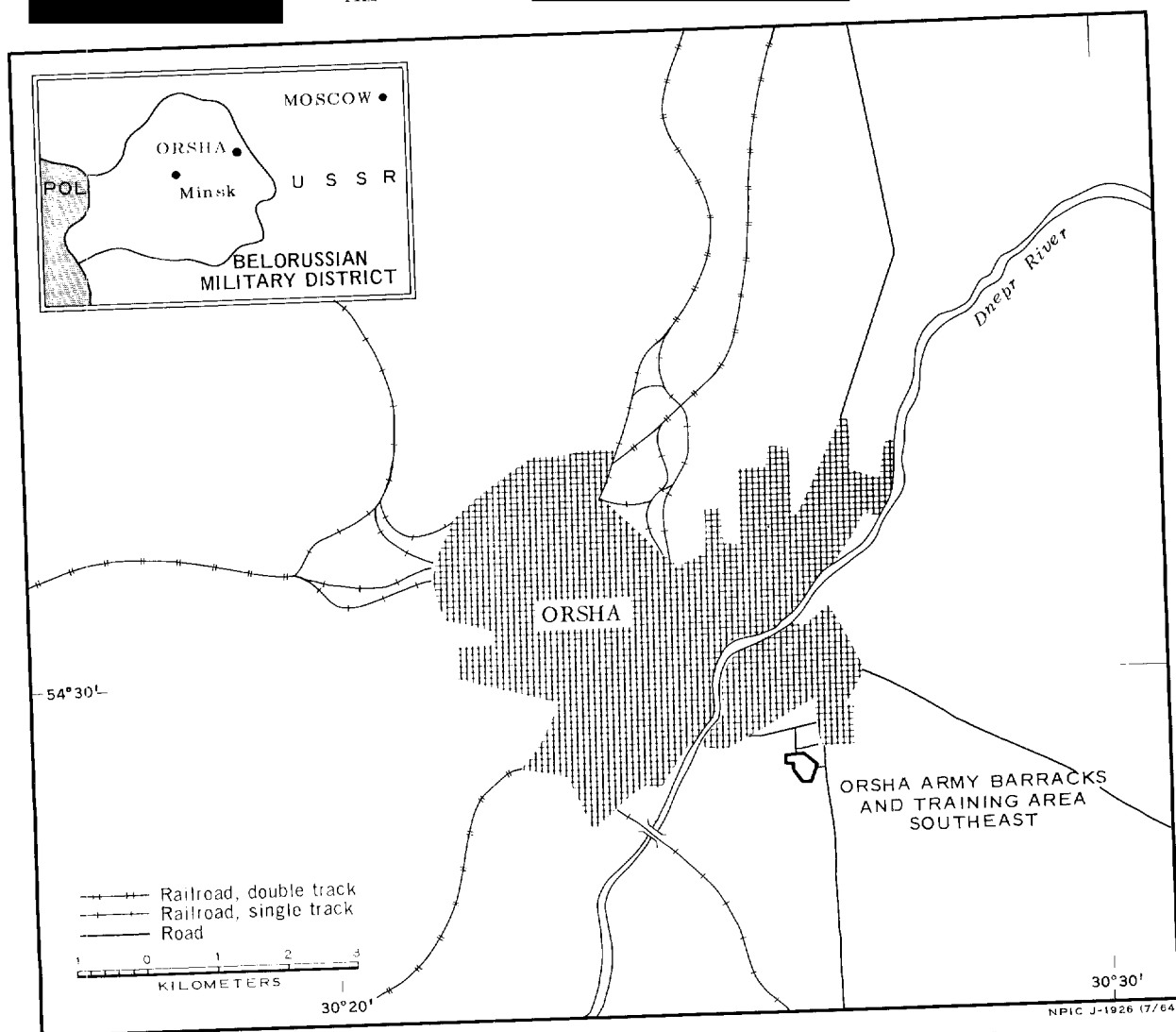


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF ORSHA ARMY BARRACKS AND TRAINING AREA SOUTHEAST.

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Orsha Army Barracks and Training Area Southeast is located on the southeast edge of Orsha (54-30N 030-24E), immediately west of the Orsha-Mogilev highway (Figure 1). The Orsha SAM Support Facility is located approximately 0.8 kilometers (km) southwest and is connected to the Barracks and Training Area by road.

This installation, irregular in outline, is at least partially fenced and covers approximately 40 acres (Figures 2 and 3). It contains one probable administration building, four multi-story barracks, one probable multistory barracks, two storage buildings, one vehicle shed, and 11 small support buildings. A fenced vehicle park is situated on the northwest edge, and a probable athletic field is located on the southeast edge of the installation. Approximately 42 vehicles, including 22 possible missile transporters, were observed within the vehicle park

on [REDACTED] coverage, and at least 15 other vehicles were located outside the vehicle park.

The area is covered by [REDACTED] TALENT photography and by six KEYHOLE missions between [REDACTED]. Comparative analysis revealed a slight increase in usage over that period. Significant changes since [REDACTED] include construction of one vehicle shed, one storage building, and three small support buildings and enlargement of the vehicle park.

The proximity of the Orsha SAM Support Facility and the presence of possible missile transporters in the enlarged vehicle park suggest present usage of the Orsha Army Barracks in conjunction with the SAM Support Facility.

The [REDACTED] TALENT photography and subsequent KEYHOLE missions reveal no evidence of an associated training area in the vicinity of the barracks area.

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DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

The installation is not rail served.

Road Service

An all-weather secondary road provides access to the Orsha-Mogilev highway.

Administrative and Troop Housing Area

Area D (Figure 3) contains one probable administration building, four multistory barracks, one probable multistory barracks, two storage buildings and nine support buildings.

One storage building and three support buildings were first observed on [REDACTED] coverage.

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Track activity indicates these buildings are occupied.

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Equipment Storage/Maintenance Area

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Area J contains one 150- by 40-foot vehicle shed, first observed on [REDACTED] coverage, two small support buildings and one 450- by 300-foot vehicle park. The area has been enlarged since [REDACTED]. Possible missile transporters were observed in the area on [REDACTED] coverage.

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Athletic Field

An athletic field, Area K, is located on the southeast edge of the installation.

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FIGURE 2. ORSHA ARMY BARRACKS AND TRAINING AREA SOUTHEAST, USSR, [REDACTED]

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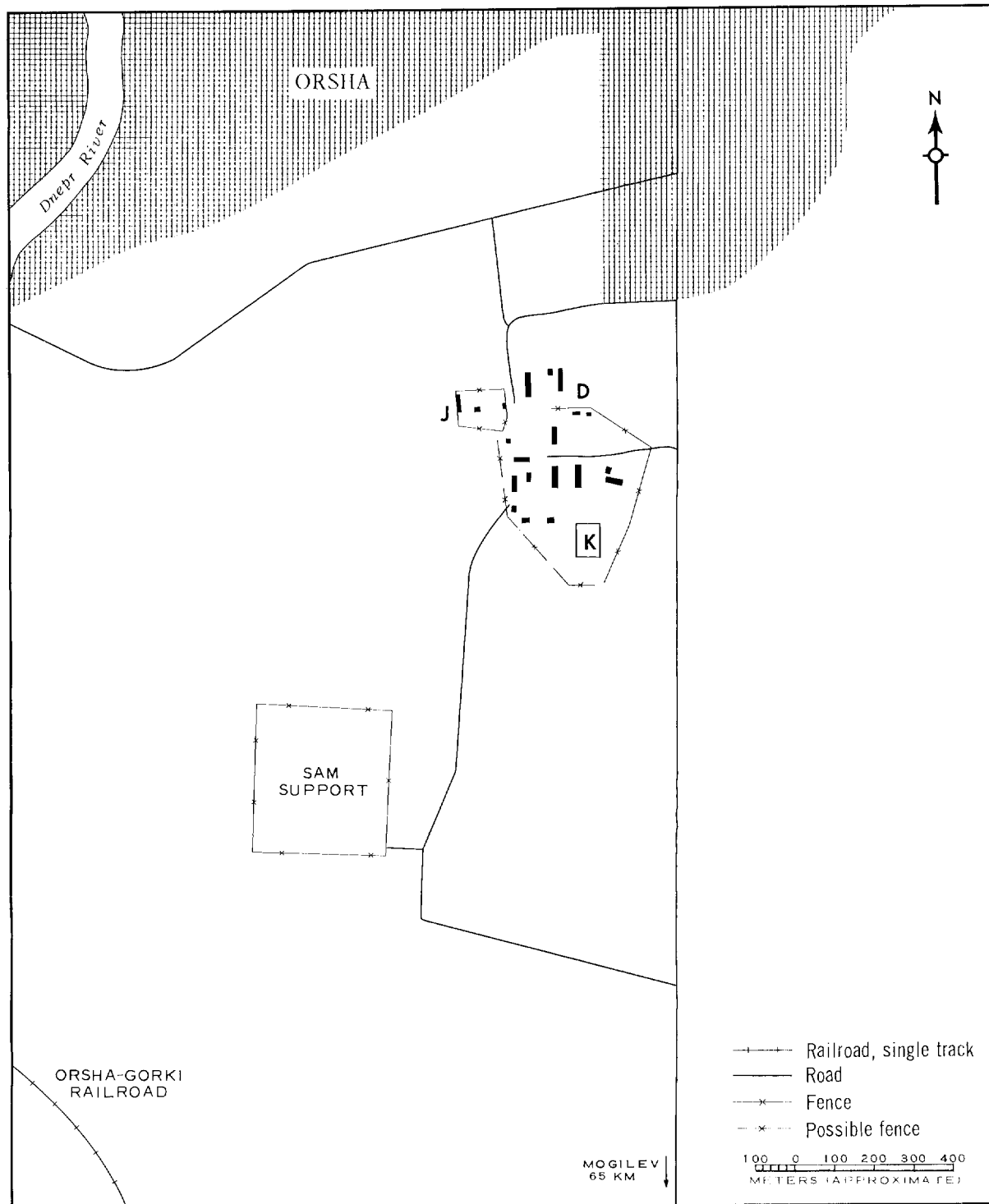


FIGURE 3. ORSHA ARMY BARRACKS AND TRAINING AREA SOUTHEAST. Sketch compiled from [REDACTED]

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REQUIREMENT

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